GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1515
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SPECIAL CELL TO HANDLE CORRUPT OFFICIALS
Gadakh Shri Tukaram Gangadhar

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Vigilance Cell takes long time to dispose of corruption cases of Government officials;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to ask all State Governments to set up a special cell in order to weed out the corrupt officials;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to check corruption in Government offices?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS.(SHRI SURESH PACHOURI)

(a) & (b): No such vigilance cell has been established by the Government. However, there are vigilance units in different Ministries/ Departments/ Organizations, which initiate disciplinary proceedings against erring officers working under them. The Disciplinary proceedings are required to be completed as per the time frame prescribed under the relevant rules.

(c): No, sir.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): Steps taken by the Government in recent times to check corruptions in Government offices include enacting the Right to Information Act, 2005 and Whistle Blowers Resolution 2004; the pro-active involvement of Ministry/Department through Annual Action Plan on Vigilance; issue of comprehensive instructions on transparency in tendering and contracting processes by the CVC; enactment of CVC Act and, strengthening the CBI to discharge its anti corruption functioning etc.